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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Drug Abuse

1. I attended a meeting 30 October, chaired by Mr. Coffey, on the subject of "Drug Abuse"; also in attendance were Mr. Wattles,

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- The information pulled together served as a basis for the OMS contribution. The other representatives present agreed that drug abuse is a problem, relating primarily to youth, in both applicants and dependents, but not a problem of major proportion.
- The OMS proposals for an OMS policy statement and an increase in emphasis on employee and dependent education were well received.
- 4. It is Mr. Coffey's plan to have the same group, plus Hugh Cunningham, meet with Col. White and report much as was done at this meeting. In regard suggestion that an annual report be made to the Director on the subject, there was general agreement that such a move might distort the focus; there being other problems of greater magnitude with which the Director is not bothered.

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